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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to a first office action on the merits of this application, please amend the published PCT specification and claims as follows:

In the Specification:

page 1, line 1

Please delete the word "DESCRIPTION".

page 1, lines 3 - 8

Please delete the title of the invention and insert instead the

following:

-- METHOD AND SUBSTANCE FOR INHIBITING REACTION BETWEEN ACTIVATED BLOOD COAGULATING FACTOR AND SUBSTRATE --